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NEWS ITEMS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

Thumb Tales Tensely Told—Interesting Items Gleaned From Our Exchanges

A. C. Downey, a Capac pioneer, died last week, aged 74 years.

It is reported that a new daily paper will be published in Port Huron soon.

A youth of about nineteen passed some bogus checks in St. Clair last week and got away with it.

Rev. L. W. Bishop, of Kinde, is conducting special revival services at Goodells in the Mt. Pleasant church.

The State Savings Bank at St. Clair, J. McNair Ealy, of Caro, president, has increased its capital stock to \$75,000.

The Odd Fellows lodge at Melvin, is contemplating the purchase of the old Eagle house and remodel it for a lodge home.

F. E. Harvey, of Crosswell, has been appointed manager of the Sugar plant to take the place made vacant by the resignation of C. E. Copp.

R. M. Riley, of the Marlette creamery has taken over the butter factories of Snover and Shabbona and will put them both in operation this spring.

During the past ten days in the local Cass City hospital six cases were operated on for appendicitis where the appendix was ruptured and each case will live.

Robbers carried away more than \$1,000 worth of goods from the James N. Zill store at Romeo last week. Waists, skirts, sweaters, silk yard goods were taken.

Arthur Shayne, a Sanilac county farmer, fell on the ice recently and broke his leg. He crawled on his hands and knees to a neighbor's where he was cared for.

The Alfred Gunning property and grocery at Melvin has been purchased by George Scott and immediate possession given. Mr. Gunning will enter the Masonic home at Alma.

C. C. Sherman, of North Branch has purchased the McLeod Bros. drug store in Brown City. Sherman has been a druggist in North Branch for twenty-four years and has now turned the business over to his two sons.

Two large barns southwest of Sandusky, belonging to Otto Frang, were burned to the ground when a gasoline engine exploded. Two gas engines, separator, grinding machinery, etc., hay corn fodder and grain were all destroyed.

A brakeman on the Michigan Central was struck over the head and robbed of \$10 and his watch last week at Vassar. He was sent back of his train the required distance to flag when somebody got him. He was unconscious when found and was taken to Lapeer.

Dr. L. C. Mudge, who has been physician at St. Clair county infirmary for the past forty-eight years, has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted by the poor commission. Dr. Mudge has always given excellent service and it is with regret that the Board parts with him. R. C. Forman, superintendent, is instructed to engage another physician.

M. S. McAuley, of Port Huron, and his family have a war record to be proud of. McAuley and two brothers fought in the civil war while the family was living in Canada, his five sons fought with the Canadians in the World War. One son is still suffering shell shock. Another lost his right hand. A grandson was killed in battle. McAuley is an American citizen, and with his family is again living in the states.

The old Dodge homestead, a fine property, with the only drawback being that it is close to a cemetery lies between Imlay City and Almont. When last August Wint Dodge and his son Mitchell were killed by being run into by an electric car, the wife and daughter-in-law shut up the home and went away. And now from olden stories of haunts and ghosts and unearthly noises, these things have seemingly come to life again and that part of the country is being shunned. The ghosts have left the cemetery and taken up their abode in the Dodge house, according to those who know and tell the story.

JOLLY FARMERS' CLUB

The Jolly Farmers' Club held their January meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Zinzo on Thursday, Jan. 27, with a goodly number in attendance.

After a bountiful dinner, which was heartily partaken of by all, the following program was carried out:

The singing of "The Red, White and Blue," was the first number, followed by the Lord's Prayer, repeated by the club. The report of the last meeting was given by the secretary and the singing of the "Battle Cry of Freedom" by the Club. Next on the program was a humorous reading by Elsie Zinzo, and a reading by Verna Zinzo. A selection on the Victrola was followed by a vocal duet by Elsie Zinzo and Luella Carless. Raymond Wilks gave a very interesting talk on the Bills concerning farmers and agriculture which are in Congress at the present time. Next came the Question Box and discussions, in which Herbert Zinzo, Bert Barr, Mrs. David Keys, Mrs. Wm. Newell and several others took part. Mrs. Neil Stirling gave a humorous reading, which was followed by another selection on the Victrola. A violin solo by Howard Zinzo was given and he responded to an encore. Next was singing by Hazel Hansman, Luella Carless, Irene Hansman and Elsie Zinzo. The meeting adjourned to meet again with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schefflein on February 24th.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Isaac Menerey died at the home of her son William in Yale, January 29th, 1921, at the age of 80 years and 3 days.

Mary J. McKenna was born in the township of Stanley, county of Huron and province of Ontario January 25th, 1841. She moved with her parents to Brockway township in 1854. Married Isaac Menerey Nov. 17, 1858. Mr. Menerey departed this life May 30, 1920.

To this union were born ten children of whom seven are living. Mrs. C. VanNorman, Port Huron; William, Yale; Burton, Flint; Mrs. Jacob Vandermuel, Pontiac; Norman, Los Angeles, Cal.; Bruce, Detroit; Roy, San Diego, Cal.

Twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, also one sister, Mrs. Maria Roche, of South Bend, Ind., are left to mourn the loss of a kind mother and lovable woman.

Funeral services were held from the home on Monday, Eld. D. McCall officiating. Interment in Elmwood cemetery.

The children wish to express their gratitude to the friends and neighbors who did so much at the time of death and burial of their mother, to those who furnished such beautiful floral offerings, to the choir for services rendered and to Eld. McCall for the kind words of consolation expressed in his sermon.

Lewis R. Scott died at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. F. Pratt, on January 22nd, 1921, at the age of 61 years.

Lewis R. Scott was born in Brockway township August 5th, 1859. His early days were spent in and around Capac.

He leaves to mourn his loss one sister, Mrs. E. F. Pratt and three brothers, Alfred and Joseph, of Highland Park, and Edward, of Pontiac.

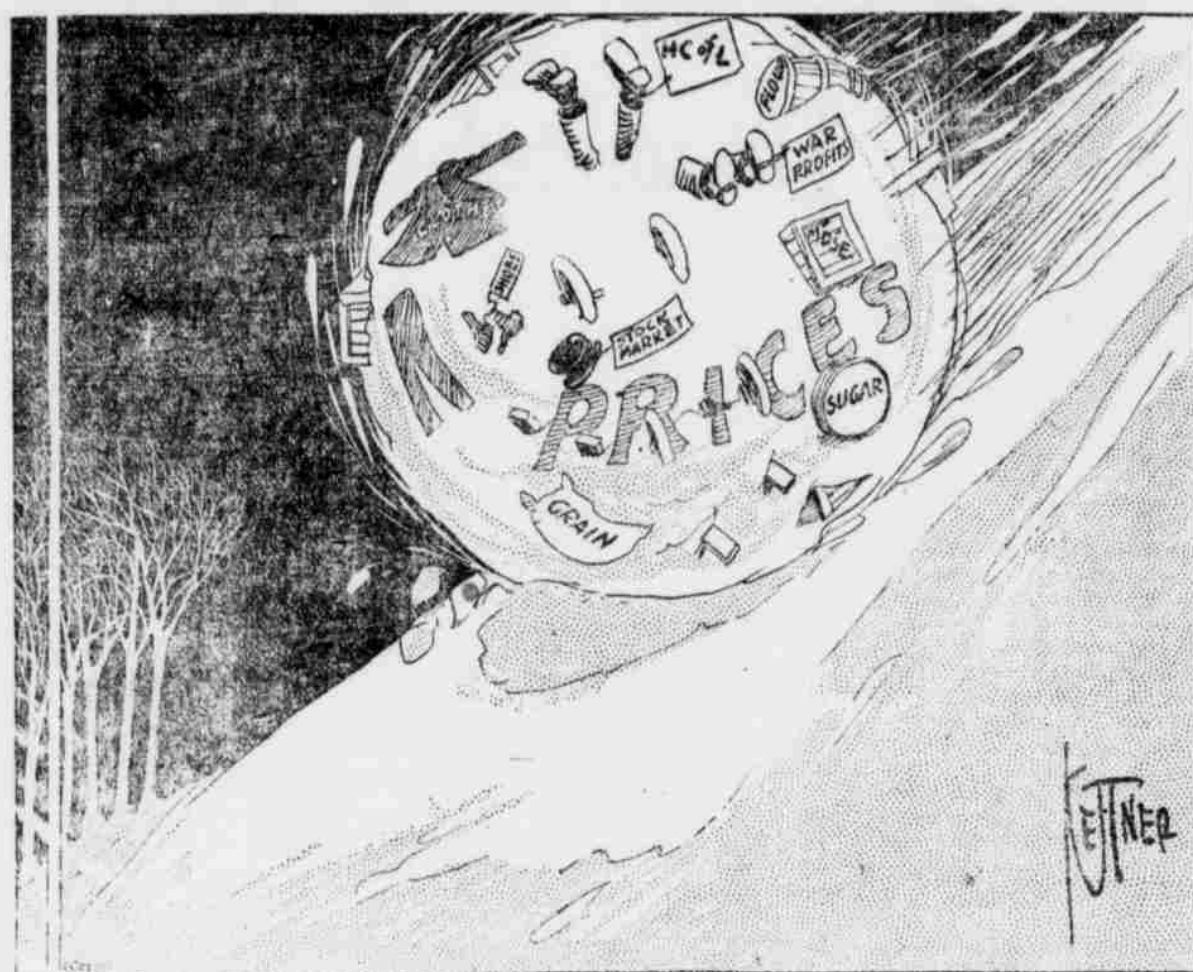
Funeral services were held the following Monday and interment was made in Elmwood cemetery.

The relatives desire to thank the neighbors and friends who were so kind and did so much during the sickness and after the death of their beloved one, to the choir for services rendered, for the beautiful floral offerings and to the minister for the consoling words spoken in his sermon.

John M. Stevens, a former resident of Yale, died at his home in the city of Detroit on Monday, Jan. 31, 1921, aged 84 years, 11 months and 6 days. The body was brought to Yale Wednesday morning and funeral services held from the Methodist Episcopal church at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. F. D. Mumby officiating. Burial in the family lot at Elmwood cemetery. Obituary next week.

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Gaining Momentum



ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the St. Clair county Farm Bureau at Port Huron, January 27th, was well attended and everyone of the twenty-two locals in the county represented. The session was in charge of President A. J. Smith. A report of the work done during the past year showed very substantial progress and afforded much encouragement to the delegates and members present.

In the absence of the state speaker who was expected, County Agent, C. L. Brody discussed recent organization developments in connection with the Local, County and State Farm Bureaus. Officers were elected as follows:

President, Fred Buchler, Marine City.

Vice-President, Wm. Wurzel, Fargo.

Members of the Executive Committee—John Volker, Marine City; Robert Folkerts, Algonac; Lester Cole, Blaine; Chester Shirkey, Memphis.

Members of the Executive Committee elected last year whose terms have not expired are Albert Tosch, Capac, and Wm. A. Cavanagh, Yale.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee following the delegates' meeting, Wm. Wurzel, Albert Tosch, Chester Shirkey and Lester Cole were chosen as delegates to represent the St. Clair County Farm Bureau at the annual meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau at East Lansing this week.

Plans were also made by the Committee for the coming year. These included important developments in marketing and drainage work and among the new projects of importance should be mentioned the proposed campaign for the eradication of tuberculosis in the herds of the county. Tentative arrangements are being discussed which will make it possible for every stock owner in the county to have his herd tested. This is not only a matter of economic importance but is of the utmost concern as a protection to human beings both in city and rural sections. Other projects for the year include livestock improvement, improved seeds, farm labor and many others that the people may demand.

A REFUTATION

As long as it has been rumored that I was intoxicated the night of my accident, I wish to refute such erroneous allegations.

I was overcome by carbon monoxide gas in my coupe, which came from a leaky pipe.

Any odor of alcohol on my person or in my car could only emanate from the alcohol that is in my radiator to keep it from freezing.

Use no intoxicating liquor of any kind and do not approve of its use as a beverage.

D. H. ANDREWS, M. D.

The persistent advertiser is the one who wins.

MAKE GOOD AT SCHOOL

Head of West Point Reports On Yale and Port Huron Boys

Charles Bonnett, former all round athlete on Port Huron high school teams, and known to a legion of friends as "Baldy," is making good at West Point Military Academy.

Bonnett left Port Huron last July, after graduating from the high school with the class of 1920, having secured an appointment to West Point through Congressman Louis C. Cramton.

A letter has been received by H. A. Davis, superintendent of the Port Huron schools from Mr. Cramton, who forwards report of the work on Bonnett made by General McArthur, head of the Military Academy. Gen. McArthur has an enviable service record in Philippine and European warfare.

The general was called upon to testify before the sub-committee on appropriations, and Congressman Cramton states in his letter the matter of Michigan boys in the academy was discussed. Upon his return to the academy General McArthur made a report concerning Bonnett and also Frank L. Beadle, a graduate of Yale High school.

Last year Beadle stood eleventh in a class of 300, and is holding his own this year. Bonnett is making an enviable record in athletics and is playing basketball with an A class West Point team. His scholastic record is good and it is expected that during his second year at the academy he will make a strong bid for the 'varsity team.

PLEASANTLY ENTERTAINED

The M. E. choir was entertained last Thursday evening, Jan. 27th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Wight. A delightful six o'clock dinner was served by the hostess and the following ladies: Mesdames McIntyre, Fead, Herbert, Wharton, Holden and Hodgins.

Over forty members and invited guests were present and thoroughly enjoyed the feast of good things provided.

After dinner the company assembled enjoyed a pleasant social time consisting of songs, games, rounds, stunts, etc. The event was voted a great success by all who were present and closed with nine raps each for the host and hostess and the ladies who assisted her to prepare and serve the dinner.

Celebrate Golden Wedding

One of the happy events in the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Jones was the celebration of their golden wedding anniversary which occurred on Sunday, Jan. 30, 1921.

On Monday, friends from Detroit, Peck, and Brown City gave them a very pleasant surprise at their home in this city.

Presents and congratulations were in order and the day was spent in an enjoyable way.

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS

Sault Ste Marie Mich., Jan. 19 The Yale Expositor.

I notice by the label on my paper that my subscription runs out this month. Enclosed find \$2.00 for another year.

We have lots of snow up in this part of Michigan, but today the weather is mild and pleasant.

Wishing you a successful year, I am, as ever,

Yours respectfully,

J. J. Gilroy, 205 Newton Ave.

Millersburg, Mich., Jan. 30, '21 Mr. Menzies.

Dear Sir:—I wish you would send me your paper and send bill and I will mail you a money order at once in payment.

Well, friend James, how is everything going around Yale?

It has been eleven years since I left there, but I often think of Yale and my friends.

I still sail, have 70 acres of good land, live in town, only three blocks from the Main street. I sold about \$600 worth of hay, oats and clover seed last fall, so I will be able to stay home soon. Only one more season sailing.

I send my best regards to all the boys.

Very truly,

Charles Welch

Mansfield, Ohio, Jan. 31, 1921 Mr. Menzies.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed please find money order for \$2.00 in payment for another year. Hardly feel like giving up the paper yet.

All wish you a prosperous New Year.

Mrs. N. B. Percy

58 So. Weldon Ave.

Yale, Mich., Jan. 31, 1921 Dear Editor:—Enclosed find a money order for \$2.00 for the paper. It is mother's renewal and she says she was paid up 'til last June and she wants you to send her paper until next June to her at 3751 Blaine ave., Detroit where she has gone to reside for awhile. She is very poorly.

My mother, Mrs. L. J. Spencer, would be pleased to have you publish the enclosed poem for her. I think it is very nice.

Yours truly,

Mrs. J. Beckett

Urge Union of Melvin Churches

Melvin, Feb. 2—A movement is on foot to form a union of the Baptist and Methodist churches here into a church similar to the federated body recently organized at Capac. The idea is meeting with great favor and the members of both bodies are enthusiastic over the new plan which will give them greater power and the money now being expended to support two buildings will go into one channel providing a greater financial support.

WILL SERVE SUPPER

The ladies of the M. P. church will serve supper on Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 5 till all are served.

Menu—Roast beef, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, cabbage salad, pie, cake, pickles, rolls and coffee. 50 cents and 35c

CAUSES OF RETARDATION IN OUR SCHOOLS

A repeater is one who spends more than a year in a grade. In last week's issue of the Expositor it was stated that as a result of the investigation there were 21 per cent of the grade pupils who were repeaters. When we seek to analyze the causes contributing to this condition we find it difficult, but with the aid of the teachers, we have carefully considered the contributing factors and find that irregular attendance at school is the largest cause of "retardation" in Yale schools.

We find that in general, a low percentage of attendance is accompanied by a low percentage of promotions. A low percentage of promotions leads to "retardation" and "retardation" leads to a pupil's leaving school or "elimination," as it is called.

The retarded pupil finds himself in the same class with much younger companions. His age and size are a continual reproach to him. He begins to resent the maternalistic atmosphere of the lower grammar grades. He becomes discouraged through his lack of success and when he has passed the compulsory attendance age, he leaves school.

In a few cases a pupil is above the normal age because he entered up with the other pupils of his own age.

A lesser course of "retardation" may be attributed to physical conditions such as diseased tonsils and adenoids and defective eyes and teeth. I do not know to what extent these things are causes here, but in places where a physical examination has been made, it is found that 26 percent of retarded pupils had diseased tonsils and adenoids. In other cases 3 to 5 per cent were due to eyes and teeth needing attention. Some eye troubles are known to be causes here.

The number of failures in the grades during the semester just closed is 2 per cent. Many schools average 20 percent. This is very gratifying to Yale schools as it indicates that our teachers maintain a high degree of efficiency in their teaching. But four-fifths of the 2 percent of failures are due to irregular attendance as the records show so much absence that only failure could be expected in these cases. Some of the absence was necessary from illness.

It is necessary that all possible causes of retardation should be removed by teachers and parents. What is the effect of retardation on the retarded? Quite a large percent fail to make normal progress. They fail repeatedly. They are thoroughly trained in failure. The effect of this should be carefully considered, for the problem is a grave one. It does not make so much difference what one has to do if one feels it is possible if he tries to do it. It is a hopeless thing for a child to realize that he is driving against a thing he cannot do. Success is necessary to every human being. It is not so much an intellectual matter as a moral matter.

Will the parents not co-operate with the teachers in removing every possible obstacle to the normal progress of the child in school.

Next week some remedies for "retardation" will be suggested.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. GREENMAN, Supt.

AN ENTERTAINMENT COURSE

Believing that Yale is, in a sense, not progressing, when a course of lectures and entertainments, bound to improve, is not on the itinerary for the winter's program, the Music Study Club has taken the matter up with a representative from the International Bureau and after due deliberation, the members have decided to sponsor a lecture course for next season.

Five numbers have been promised, the character of which will be announced in due time.

Yale's right thinking people, and they are all that will, we are sure, be very glad of an opportunity like this to hear and see some of the best things from the Bureau and we are also sure that a splendid and successful patronage will be accorded this effort of the Music Club, and that the Club will find its efforts along this line, as well as along its own particular work, to be well worth while.

FOR SALE—Good span of work horses and heavy harness. J. K. McColl, at the Flax Mills. 45-

Now is as good a time as any to plant an ad in this paper.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE FILES OF THE EXPOSITOR IN 1900

C. A. Reeves moved from Avoca to Yale.

The Shakespeare club met with Jessie Merigold.

Elder J. H. Paton was pastor at the Brick Chapel.

Souvenir books of Yale were on sale at the school house.

John Hutton and family were spending two weeks among friends in Oscoda.

The news that Queen Victoria had died on January 22, was published in the Expositor Jan. 25, 1901. Her reign was over sixty years.

The junior class in high school was organized with Arthur Carson, president; Irving Bowman, secretary; Blanche Parkinson, treasurer.

The bitter cold weather made hot fires necessary and the fire at the home of John Sexton became so hot that it overflowed and caused the fire ladders to be called out. The flames were soon overcome.

The early evening closing of Yale stores was an action so well suited to the clerks and shopmen that all showed their appreciation to the merchants by ordering a banquet spread at the Rapley house and inviting merchants and business men to participate. The feast and after dinner program was a great success.

Will Hyde, who lived a mile north of Yale, and still lives there, had a pair of the finest of Durham steers, exactly the same age, three years old. They were raised together, fed the same kinds and same amounts of feed. And then he had the animals weighed, and they weighed exactly the same, not a pound difference, the amount being 1,530 pounds each.

FARM BUREAU NOTES

Since December 29, 1919, when the farm bureau membership was begun in St. Clair county, the total membership of the state has increased from 15,000 to 97,000. This county's membership is at present 2,350.

Membership campaigns have been discontinued for the rest of the winter by the state farm bureau on account of the bad roads and the higher cost of solicitation. The annual report of the organization work made before the state board of delegates at East Lansing shows that 74,250 joined the county and state bureaus during the last year which, added to the 22,750 members who had joined a year ago makes a grand total of 97,000. Records show, according to the state farm bureau, that 83 percent of all farmers visited became members. There are seven counties yet to be canvassed, Ontonagon, Mackinac and Keweenaw in Upper Peninsula and Oscoda, Iosco, Bay and Roscommon in the lower; and this is expected to be done in the spring.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear husband, Joda L. Secord, who departed this life one year ago, Jan. 28, 1920.

All is dark within our dwelling.

Lonely is our home today;

For the one who smiled to cheer us

Has forever passed away.

No one knows how much we miss him.

No one knows the bitter pain.

We have suffered since we lost him

Home has never been the same.

Wife and Children,

Father, Mother, Sister

Revival meetings are being held in the Nazarene church at Caro, with Rev. C. D. Finch as pastor.

After a recent Sunday sermon on Divine healing, a lady who had been crippled and used crutches for nine months walked home with the crutches under her arm and has not used them since. She claims being healed through this sermon and by her own faith.

Others have lost their afflictions, also. There have been over 80 conversions during the revivals.

Enrique Beeman, principal of the second ward school in Marine City, who was charged with assault and battery on her boy, by Mrs. George Arnold, was held guilty and fined one dollar and costs. An appeal of the case to the circuit court was made.

It pays to trade at home.